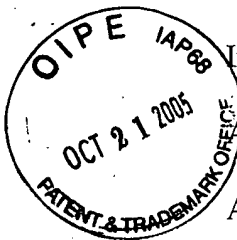


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In re Application of:

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GROUP TO COMMUNICATE
WITH EACH OTHER, AND
THE COMMUNICATION
APPARATUS

Examiner: K. Tran

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants respectfully direct the Examiner's attention to the documents listed below and on the attached Form PTO-1449. A copy of each document so listed is enclosed.

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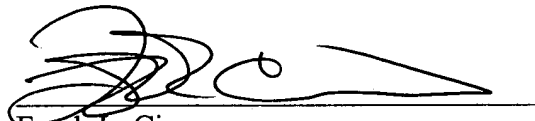
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These documents were cited during prosecution of a Japanese patent application corresponding to the above U.S. application. Copies of two Japanese Office Actions, and complete English translations thereof, are enclosed. Complete English translations of the cited Japanese references are also enclosed.

The subject application has received an Office Action on the merits but has not yet received either a final action or a Notice Of Allowance. Accordingly, this Information Disclosure Statement is accompanied by the requisite \$180.00 fee. The Examiner is urged to study this information in its entirety and to form an independent determination of the materiality of the information to the claimed invention. Additionally, the Examiner is requested to indicate that this information has been considered by initialing the appropriate portion of the attached Form PTO-1449.

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